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Jimmie Dickerson spent Sunday with his parents.

Spout Spring, Sept. 28.- Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tureman, of Richmond, spent Sunday with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H Cyrus and Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cyrus, Jr. were supper guests of Mrs. J. C. Cullop Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Day, of Richmond spent last week here with relatives.

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Father Darkleaf's Column

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Haley left San Antonio, P. M. Thursday, October re his car to Appomattox P. M. Saturday, October nds like a speed record

you're ever called on to alligator, Father Dark- ll you how to win. Mind ld "tell you" not "show alligator may doze for ok meek enough to pet, r, don't trust a gator! p off an arm or leg be- an bat an eye.

Miami, there is an In- It's a nice reservation e city, and gives the vis- erful chance to see real ans. We could tell you the village, but today's be on how a Seminole wrestles an alligator. At is an alligator pit, sur- a high concrete wall, ing several dozen big while we're standing this Indian boy, 17, into the pit with all That seem all right, be- look like they're asleep are. Well, the boy has a and after sizing up the ects one for a wrestling rabs the gator with the im mad, and quicker ow, that gator is awake mad out there in the the pit. Before going to you say. And just then boy throws the pole out see! It's the boy against The boy is barehanded ded. A lock of black low over his forehead. feet separate the pois- ures.

hen we see the trick of ttle a gator! The boy dab of sand in his right ch. Then he makes a the gator twenty-five feet apart and he oes, balanced for any- by one of those passes close to the gator, and second, that huge mouth and lunging jaws snap ! With perfect timing ows a dab of sand right to open mouth. Throws hard, perfectly aimed, and hits, the gator snaps and has missed. The sand Well sir, how about happens several times, me the boy works near- on one time, as the jaws there is a flash of the ads as he boldly grabs the gator's closed jaws. ger strength holds This is something to see! leaps across the back of and pulls the head up Boy, hold that mouth ir, and he tosses the on his back. The soft, belly is up, and bless the boy doesn't rub the much like you would rring cat's back, and the o sleep! No kidding, he p and when he is still the boy turns loose r. He picks up the coins ed him and climbs out finds the pole he had ed, reaches it down and jabs that gator a a sudden the akes up and makes a and vicious lunge, cut- ath on hard concrete.

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Home Agent's Schedule For Next Week

Home Demonstration Agent's Schedule, week of October 18-23:

Monday, Oct. 18.- The Bethany Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M., at the home of Mrs. W. C. Garrette.

The Pamplin Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:30 P. M., at Pamplin School.

Tuesday, Oct. 19.- The Appomattox Junior 4-H Club will meet in the school auditorium at 1:40 P. M.

The Appomattox Senior 4-H Club will meet at 2:20 in the school auditorium.

The Appomattox Town Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M., at the home of Mrs. DeWitt Evans.

Wednesday, Oct. 20.- The Wreck Island Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M., at the home of Mrs. Jack Caldwell.

Thursday, Oct. 21.- The Liberty Chapel Home Demonstration Club will meet at the home of Mrs. B. C. Childers.

Friday, Oct.22.-Mrs. Carter Martin will be hostess to all homemakers in the surrounding community at 2:00 P. M., to discuss plans for organizing a home demonstration Club. All are invited.

The demonstration for each club meeting will be rug making.

High School Chatter...

Hi neighbors—what do you know and what do you say! Well, we know plenty and can say plenty. The highlight of the week was the Canteen party sponsored by the faculty. Hic, hic, wow; must have had too much apple cider Friday night. Well, it certainly was good, no matter how much you had. It was a swell party and everyone had a grand time.

What have we seen Sam and Harry riding around in lately??The new Ford cars really are pretty!

If you have seen the A. H. S. football uniforms, you won't doubt the fact that it was muddy in South Hill Friday. The fact showed up in the score also, for the game ended 0—0. Appomattox will have played another game by the time you read this. Luck to your boys.

It was home - coming in South Hill Friday, and a big parade was held. You should have seen our cheerleaders riding on a fire truck.

The SCA gave a fine chapel program last week. They presented to the assembly the goals to which they will work this year. Many excellent ideas. Let's all work with the SCA and carry out the goals.

Byron had his hands full Sunday evening, didn't he? We also heard he was late getting in Friday night. Next time take care of the dog before you leave.

Joyce, congratulations to you on having the honor of being selected to serve as a discussion leader at the SCA convention that will be held soon in Richmond.

How time flies. It is time to leave already. See you next week!

—Contributed.

Seek Packages For Europe

All members of the W. M. U. and its organizations, of Liberty Baptist Church, are requested to give one pound package of rice and 1 package of seeded raisins, to be sent to Europe for Christmas puddings.

Other gifts of soap and sugar will also be accepted. Leave the packages at the Baptist Church study or at the parsonage, not later than October 20th.

The local fire company will sponsor a hillbilly music tent show next Tuesday night, at 8:30, on the lot opposite Fred Robertson's Service Station.

Highway Dept. Getting Ready For Winter

With winter close at hand, the State Highway Department is speeding preparations for cold weather road maintenance. Engineers described the department's winter assignment as two-fold: keeping the roads safe and open for winter travel; and protecting them as much as possible from freeze and thaw damages.

Throughout the state, mechanics are completing over-haul work on snow removal and ice control equipment. Current instructions demand that all equipment be in top condition, available for instant service in the event of an early storm.

Forces are stocking abrasives for ice control at stragetic points along the road network. Stores of salt, sand, and calcium chloride are arriving for winter needs. Miles of snow fence are going up at drift-prone points.

Focal points of activity are the equipment depot in Richmond and the district equipment stops in Bristol, Salem, Lynchburg, Staunton, Culpeper, Fredericksburg, Petersburg, and Suffolk. At these centers, mechanics are readying the snowplows, drift-busters, tractors, graders, and sanders. In the event of heavy storms, these sturdy winter units will spend long hours of gruelling service on the roads.

Remembering the extensive road damage which followed last winter's deep freeze, engineers are checking for weak spots on the roads. Weaker sections will be strengthened with additional surfacing materials.

To provide quick drainage for melting banks of snow, maintenance crews are dragging the ditches and mowing the roadsides. If drainage fails, the water stands in pools—eating beneath road surfaces and crumbling the pavement.

COMPLETE ACP CONSERVATION PLANS

Already many crops are harvested and soon others will be off the land. Now is the time to complete the conservation job planned last spring, advises John F. Hutcher, of the Appomattox County Agricultural Committee. Where dirt-moving practices have been planned and not completed, arrangements should be made to get the job done.

"It is not just plans, but completed conservation practices that will check and control erosion," says Mr. Hunter. "Filling out your conservation plan on a form work sheet in spring is the first step and an important one. But the thing that really counts is when you report performance completed. That's when the conservation job will show results."

Under the Agricultural Conservation Program, it is the farmer's responsibility to report to the County ACP office when practices have been carried out. When a farmer reports promptly he not only helps the county office employees close out this year's work sheets and records, but he will speed up the receipt of his 1948 payment check.

Chairman Hunter urges farmers of Appomattox County to complete their 1948 performance and come to the county office to report. For all practices performed for ACP payments, farmers should be prepared to give complete information as to measurements and tonnage and be able to supply seed tags or other evidence that may be required.

Phone 30 with Personals.

Evans To Head County Drive

T. DeWitt Evans will serve as county campaign director for the 1949 March of Dimes Drive, it was announced this week by George E. Buchanan, chairman. Over 425 cases of polio were reported this year in Virginia and the need for funds will be great.

To Support Regular Party Ticket

At an informal meeting of some thirty Appomattox county officers, members of the county Democratic Committee and precinct workers at the county court house last Saturday night, it was planned to wage an active campaign in the county for the Truman-Barkley-Robertson-Abbitt Democratic ticket. Election day is Tuesday, November 2

After discussion, it was decided to invite the public to a rally and speaking at the court house, at a date to be announced but probably Saturday, October 23.

State Senator Charles T. Moses presided at the meeting. He asked for a free and open discussion of the pending election. He declared that there was unanimous support for the Democratic candidates for the Senate and Congress, A. Willis Robertson and Watkins M. Abbitt, but that some voters were undecided as to the presidential contest. He emphasized the right of every voter to form his own decision. After summarizing some of the issues at stake, he stated that the over-all record of the party led him to support President Truman for re-election.

Statements in support of the regular party nominees were made by others present. County treasurer, R. L. Burke; county clerk, C. W. Smith; trial justice, Charles P. Crawley; supervisor F. A. O'Brien; supervisor Frank Smith; supervisor L. Crawley; school superintendent J. A. Burke; commonwealth attorney George F. Abbitt, Jr.; and several others, including: C. C. Harvey, S. Guy Smith, N. E. Farrar, D. A. Conner, C.H. Robinson, Floyd Fleshman, expressed themselves as for the regular party ticket.

Congressman W. M. Abbitt spoke in some detail, explaining the unusual issues at stake in this election. He frankly stated his belief in the sincerity of those opposing President Truman as party nominee, and stated that in normal times a fight for "states rights" would command the support of a great body of Southern Democrats. Mr. Abbitt went on, however, to compare the records of the Democratic and Republican Parties on issues he said were of tremendous importance in the shaping of the future of the world, and declared that he felt the over-all welfare of our nation and the world needed the election of the Democratic Party candidates. Included is these greater issues, he mentioned the menace of Communism overrunning Europe if American aid were weakened or withdrawn, the opposing policies of the two parties as to tariffs and international trade, and the prevention of both international and national depression. Mr. Abbitt cited notable achievements of the Democratic Party, and said that the condition of the farmer, the worker and average citizen had benefitted tremendously under Democratic administration. He said the Democratic Party was the people's party. Mr. Abbitt's statement was most informative, and showed an understanding of the great issues facing the nation. It also showed tolerance for the opinions and beliefs of others, especially those who sincerely oppose President Truman. His able and forthright statement was applauded by those present.

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION COURSE AT VA. TECH

A course to train artificial inseminators for cattle will be conducted at Virginia Tech, November 1 - 15, according to C. C. Graf, associate dairy husbandman for the Extension Service.

The course will cover all phases of artificial breeding of dairy cattle, as well as organization and administration of artificial breeding associations.

Graf said applicants for the course must have a high school education, be at least 21 years of age, have some dairy farm experience, and be willing to accept a position as full time or relief inseminator for one of the breeding associations in the state.

The overall cost of the course, including room and meals, will be about $65.

At present, he said, there are several openings for full time or relief inseminators in Virginia. The jobs pay about $250 a month.

Beauty Contest Here Tonight, With 35 Entries

Thirty-five girls will appear in a beauty contest here at the high school auditorium tonight, competing for the designation "Miss Appomattox." The winner will represent the county at a civic day program in Farmville next week. The contest is being sponsored by the local Lions and Garden Clubs.

Fifteen additional girls were entered in the contest last week-end, chosen by classroom nomination at the local school. A float is being prepared to appear in the parade to be held in Farmville.

Those entered in the contest:

Miss Faye Wood
Miss Alice Jean Moore
Miss Shirley Stanley
Miss Gwendolyn Paulette
Miss Joyce Christian
Miss Jackie Coleman
Miss Virginia Bingham
Miss Peggy Smith
Miss Rebecca Rush
Miss Inez Hanenkrat
Miss Barbara Carter
Miss Lois Kent Wood
Miss Ruth Guill
Miss Opal Childers
Miss Doris Elaine Cawthorn
Miss Alice Hamilton
Miss Jeanline Martin
Miss Peggy Ellen Cox
Miss Helen Mae Poe
Miss Katherine Burge
Miss Easley Shuford
Miss Jean Harding
Miss Mary Ellen Ramsey
Miss Betty Wingfield
Miss Ann Waller
Miss Thelma Lucado
Miss Audrey Paige
Miss Eulelia Robertson
Miss Sallie Lou Chernault
Miss Evelina Moore
Miss Catherine Burkey
Miss Virginia Lewis
Miss Dorothy West
Miss Gwendolyn Shuford
Miss Nina Barlow.

Wed 50 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Cawthorn, Sr., of East Orange, N. J., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary October 11th. They were married October 11, 1898, at Appomattox, Va. Mrs. Cawthorn is the former Miss Laura Purdum.

Mr. and Mrs. Cawthorn have nine children, including Mrs. Edgar A. Covington and David W. Cawthorn of Appomattox.

Their many friends here extend congratulations.

Song Fest

The Young Adult Class of Memorial Methodist Church will hold a "Song Fest" at the Parsonage on Wednesday, October 20, at 8:00 P. M., as a farewell party to the Pastor and his family. All friends of Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Lucas are invited.

NEW METHOD

The use of so-called "synthetic" harmones to produce capons or to tenderize old birds is gaining favor in some poultry circles, reports Harry Moore, head of the poultry department at V. P. I.

The most promising harmone, Moore says, seems to be diethylstilbestrol, which, when injected into cockerels and old males, feminizes them. Since the effect does not last more than 4 to 6 weeks, it is probably more practical to use for tenderizing. The pellets containing the compound are usually injected under the skin, preferably in the neck just back of the top of the head, Moore explains.

He warns, however, that using the harmone is not practical unless there are readily available markets that will pay more for the tenderized bird.

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Methodist Conference In Session

The One-Hundred Sixty-Sixth Session of the Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Church is being held in Norfolk, October 13 to 18, Conference headquarters are at the Arena Auditorium. The preaching and ordination services will be held in Epworth Church.

The Conference consists of 464 Charges and 275,000 members. This is the first Conference held in Norfolk since unification of the three branches of Methodism in 1939. A special feature of the afternoon sessions will be the preaching of the Methodist Bishop, James C. Baker, of the Los Angeles Area of the Church. He will also preach the ordination sermon Sunday morning.

Next Sunday is Conference Sunday, and as the pastor is in Norfolk there will be no preaching service at Memorial Church.

MRS. JAMES L. CLARK

Mrs. Mildred Henry Clark, 89, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. Larkin Harvey Thursday evening, after an extended illness.

She was born in Appomattox County, a daughter of the late William and Louise Sarah Whitehead Fleshman. She was the widow of James Louis Clark. She was a member of Evergreen Baptist Church.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Harvey, by the pastor, the Rev. C. G. Carter. Burial was in the family cemetery near Evergreen. Active pallbearers were Jamie Harvey, Henry Harvey, Lewis Harvey, Bill Dudley, Herbert Deadmon and B. C. Taylor.

Besides Mrs. Harvey, she is survived by three other daughters, Mrs. E. T. Evans, of Evergreen; Mrs. J. Mott Harvey, of Appomattox, and Mrs. R. H. Taylor, of Lewisburg, W. Va.; three brothers, Willie Fleshman, of Rolling Hill; Crother Fleshman, of Appomattox, and Elijah Fleshman, of Roanoke; three sisters, Mrs. George Peay, of Lynchburg; Mrs. Sallie Shorter, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. Eula Wooldridge, of Covington; 19 grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

VERNEY E. PERDIEU

Verney Elvert Perdieu, 72, died Wednesday morning of last week in Campbell County, at the home of his neice, Mrs. Hattie Franklin Cyrus. He was born in Appomattox County, son of the late John W. and Julia Cheatham Perdieu.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at 2 P. M., at the Reedy Springs Baptist Church, of which he was a member, by the pastor, the Rev. L. P. Brown. Burial was in the church cemetery. Active pallbearers were: Clarence Freeman, Lawson McFadden, Thomas Cyrus, Edward Cyrus, Russell Cyrus, Jessie Cyrus.

UDC To Meet October 21st

The U. D. C. will meet Thursday evening, October 21, at 8 o'clock, in the home of Mrs. Norman Dawson. Mrs. Dawson and Mrs. Mary Lizzie Martin will be hostesses.

Calvin H. Robinson will be the guest speaker. The subject will be Confederate Cavalry Leaders.

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